



AGENDA

Central Sierra Regional Forum

California Regional Economies Project

February 11, 2004
Best Western Sonora Oaks Conference Center
19551 Hess Avenue, Sonora

- 10:00 Welcome, Introductions, and Purpose of Forum
- Candace Katosic, Director, Mother Lode Workforce Investment Board*
- Verna Lewis, Director, Kern/Inyo/Mono Workforce Investment Board*
- Ed Kawahara, Special Assistant to the Undersecretary, California Labor and Workforce Development Agency*
- 10:15 Regional Economy Report: Presentation and Discussion
- Jim King, California Regional Economies Project*
- 11:30 Regional Clusters of Opportunity: Presentation, Methodology, Panel
- John Melville, Collaborative Economics*
- Employer Panel on Workforce Issues
Moderator: Jim King, California Regional Economies Project
Panelists:
- Danny Heuton, Alpine Mortgage
 - Brian Miner, Low Tech Automation/Pneucon
 - Phil Nichols, Avalon Care Center – Sonora
 - Rena Sullivan, Kirkwood Mountain Resort
- 1:00 Regional Priorities
- Participants write down reasons for choosing particular cluster(s) for further profiling, ideas are posted and summarized, with group discussion of results*
- 1:55 Wrap Up and Next Steps
- Ed Kawahara, Special Assistant to the Undersecretary, California Labor and Workforce Development Agency*
- 2:00 Adjourn